## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 118**

## By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Hermitage Springs
Junior High School boys' basketball team upon
winning the TNT State Championship.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should salute those student athletes who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as true champions of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary group of student athletes is the Hermitage Springs

Junior High School boys' basketball team, which recently won the TNT Class 1A Middle School

Boys State Tournament Championship; and

WHEREAS, in pursuit of athletic glory, the Hermitage Springs Wildcats first defeated Monteagle in the quarterfinals by a score of 59-21; and

WHEREAS, in the semifinals, the young men of Hermitage Springs bested Saint Mary's by a score of 44-27; and

WHEREAS, in the final round of the State Championship, Hermitage Springs faced off against Savannah Christian, and with outstanding teamwork and stellar perseverance, the Wildcats triumphed over Savannah Christian by a final score of 45-29 and claimed the title of TNT State Champions; and

WHEREAS, this spectacular victory gives the Hermitage Springs Junior High School boys' basketball team its second consecutive State Championship title; and

WHEREAS, the members of this elite athletic team are Levi Collins, Eli Smith, Heath Hensley, Andrew Burks, Logan Collins, Payton Moore, Andrew Anderson, Gunnar Silk, Alijah Roberts, and Steven Richards; and

WHEREAS, the team benefitted from the thorough knowledge and stalwart guidance of Coach Farrah Wood and Manager Andrew Smith; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Hermitage Springs Junior High School boys' basketball team are fine examples of all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved a premier level of success in competition while exhibiting the highest degree of character in all aspects of life; and

WHEREAS, the perseverance, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a championship season, but also surely bode well for their future success; and

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the members of the Hermitage Springs boys' basketball team for their outstanding performance and for serving as exemplars of the exceptional quality of youth in Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and commend the Hermitage Springs Junior High School boys' basketball team upon winning the TNT State Championship and extend to the team's members our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.